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School meeting February 1, 2023

Agenda

- Updates
- UID23 | Design Talks & Degree Show
- Student Work Environment Survey
- Other items

Updates

Demian Horst shared information about the results of the Brita-Stina Nordenstedt Scholarship application process. There were eight applications in total (4 from UID, 4 from UMA). Two UID students were awarded the scholarship to support their thesis project:

- Jovan Vulic (35000 SEK)
- Yuchen Lan (35000 SEK)

Master's students planning to go on internships were informed that a coordinated meeting across programmes is being planned in February, to go over guidelines, practical information, deadlines, etc.

The MFA Interaction Design students will arrange a pub on February 3 and on February 10 the staff at UID is hosting "the Airport Pub" for all students at school.

UID23 | Design Talks & Degree Show

Demian Horst talked about the reasons why this event is planned and hosted on a yearly basis offering the background of the event for new students. He also opened for a discussion on why the event happens in the first place. Suggestions from the meeting participants related to aspects of celebration, publicity, networking while of course showcasing the students' work.

Demian Horst stressed that the event is a collaborative effort from staff and students. He also went over the basic structure of the format as well as the different segments of the event. This year, the event will happen on May 30-31, lunch-to-lunch. On the morning of day one there will be opportunities for students and companies to schedule portfolio interviews. All student presentations will take place on the afternoon of day one. During day two we will host the keynote speakers and a live on-stage discussion about where design is headed. This year, we are also collaborating with Svensk Form who are arranging the Swedish Design Award, Design S, in Umeå. That event will kick off in the afternoon of May 31. On June 1 there will be a degree ceremony in the afternoon with a following dinner for students and families. The day ends with a party for graduates at UID in the evening.

Work Environment



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Niklas Andersson informed about Health on Campus which happens on February 21 which is free of charge for students. Some activities require pre-registration. More information on: www.umu.se/idrottshogskolan/halsa-pa-campus

Niklas also discussed how the UID Resting Room is to be used. Students can talk to staff representatives in order to be able to use the space.

Information was also shared about the potential health risks with 3D printer filament materials, including details on which materials were the most toxic. Students were urged to keep good ventilation and never place the material by their beds.

Finally, students were asked if they are interested in a CPR Training Session. There seemed to be considerable interest and such an occasion is now set to be scheduled.

Student Work Environment Survey

Silvester Kössler (APD1) shared the results of the EHS survey.

- There were 15 percent less participants compared to last year.
- Some students felt that the school was sometimes cold and/or loud.
- There was also some critique about there being too many communication platforms for students to keep track of.
- Students requested a usable photo studio.
- The other workshops were rated very highly by students.
- Some suggestions were given on things that could be added to the DOLF system.
- The pressure to perform is coming mainly from within or other students.
- In general, students were very happy with what the school offers.
- TD students expressed a worry about the reputation of and the changes within their programme over the past year.
- Students wanted to have mental health services more accessible and present at the Arts Campus.

Next school meeting

The next school meeting will happen on March 1 (1st Wednesday every month).